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### 1 [LOST CAT](#)

Mon Feb 24, 2014 10:19 pm (PST) . Posted by: [asncalert](#)

Sun Feb 23, 2014 6:41 pm on [nelalist@yahoogroups.com](mailto:nelalist@yahoogroups.com) <mailto:nelalist@yahoogroups.com>  
Posted by: [ericas521](#)

Our neighbors have lost their cat and have asked me to post to you all to help get the word out. The cat is a young orange and white tabby named Benjamin. He went missing yesterday. He had a collar but somehow slipped out of it. He is fearful but can be coaxed with food. They are desperate to find him and are offering a reward. Phone number is 323-363-2754. Address is 3995 Evadale Drive.

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## 2 A new Public Initiative - The Living Museum:Sycamore Grove March 8,

Mon Feb 24, 2014 10:20 pm (PST) . Posted by: [asncaalert](#)

Hi NELA,

Hope you can join us at the exciting and fun inaugural event for a new multi-year public initiative called "The Living Museum: Sycamore Grove." The initiative is aimed at helping a series of threatened museums in Highland Park by establishing a new district, a new context, a new groundwork for them to operate. The threatened museums include the Southwest Museum (LA's first Museum -100 years old), the Casa de Adobe (96 years old) and the Lummis Home (118 years old), which are closed, nearly closed, and otherwise needing our support! The Living Museum is a constructive, positive, community based way to encourage people to experience these fascinating museums, the district itself and build consciousness about LA's history. We intend to host several events a year, each with different themes - Art will certainly be a big important one :)

Please join our mailing list! <http://livingmuseumla.blogspot.com/> <http://livingmuseumla.blogspot.com/>

And please forward widely if you can!

Very best,

Louisa Van Leer, Highland Park Heritage Trust

The Highland Park Heritage Trust and Friends of the Southwest Museum are co-leading the initiative, Council District 1- Gil Cedillo is lending his support, as well many other local groups

Inaugural Walking Tour Extravaganza for the

The Living Museum: Sycamore Grove

<http://livingmuseumla.blogspot.com/> <http://livingmuseumla.blogspot.com/>

Saturday, March 8th 10am to 4pm

Sycamore Grove Park 4702 N. Figueroa, LA, CA 90042

Take Metro to the Southwest Museum Goldline Stop

Encounter the fascinating history of LA's people, architecture, ecology, transportation and five incredible museums all within a short walk from Metro.

Inaugural Walking Tour Extravaganza: Four unique guided walking tours by local authors & historians (suggested donation \$5) plus self guided tours

FREE events featuring: Music | Art | Architecture | History | Ecology | Kid friendly activities | Birthday Cake - the Southwest Museum is 100 Years old !

Website:

<http://livingmuseumla.blogspot.com/> <http://livingmuseumla.blogspot.com/>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Living-Museum-Sycamore-Grove/1391773757756844>

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DeLab - a non-profit who is partnering with us for an event within the event to help build larger awareness of the Southwest Museum.

<http://www.designeastoflabrea.org/event/celebrating-the-southwest-museum-and-exploring-sycamore-grove> <http://www.designeastoflabrea.org/event/celebrating-the-southwest-museum-and-exploring-sycamore-grove>

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### 3 **Old L.A. Farmers Market Tuesdays**

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Join us this Tuesday at the Old L.A. Farmers Market in Highland Park, Ave. 58 at Figueroa, 3 to 7 p.m.

We're looking for musicians for our spring music fest, so come on by and talk to us if you want to participate.

This market has a craft section, and many of your usual fruits and vegetables. Several of the farmers, such as Gaytan Farms, sells unique Mexican herbs and vegetables. Come on by and check it out. Hablamos espanol.

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### 4 **Vote for the Arroyo Today Thru Thursday!**

Mon Feb 24, 2014 10:20 pm (PST) . Posted by: [asncaalert](#)

Greetings Arroyo Supporters!

The Arroyo Seco Foundation (ASF) is competing in the NELA Placemaking Design Competition, a contest to develop new visions for Northeast Los Angeles and the LA River.

We need your help! Everyday through this Thursday (2/27) you can help build support for restoration at the Confluence by voting for the Arroyo Seco Confluence Gateway.

The Confluence Gateway is an integrated plan to restore stream values, native habitat, recreation, and public space to the Confluence. It draws on over a decade of work and presents a vision that celebrates this truly unique and historic place. We hope you'll take a moment and help make this a priority for L.A. River restoration.

Arroyo Seco Foundation | 570 W. Avenue 26 #450 | Los Angeles, CA 90065-1011

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## 5 Metrolink Community Meeting 2/25

Mon Feb 24, 2014 10:20 pm (PST) . Posted by: [asncaalert](#)

WHEN: Tuesday, February 25, 2014

TIME: 6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m.

WHERE: Dorris Place Elementary Auditorium

2225 Dorris Place (enter off of Riverside Drive)

Los Angeles, CA 90031

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## 6 Raising the alarm about Metro's proposed 710 Freeway twin tun

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<http://www.pasadenastarnews.com/opinion/20140127/raising-the-alarm-about-metros-proposed-710-freeway-twin-tunnels-guest-commentary> <http://www.pasadenastarnews.com/opinion/20140127/raising-the-alarm-about-metros-proposed-710-freeway-twin-tunnels-guest-commentary>

By Tom Cordner and Sarah Gavit

Posted: 01/27/14, 2:49 PM PST |

The progress of the latest proposal to extend the Long Beach (710) Freeway from Alhambra north into Pasadena, Los Angeles Metro's preferred twin-tunnel alternative, has relatively low awareness among San Gabriel Valley residents. It's understandable, since the 710 extension into the heart of Old Pasadena has been batted around for more than 60 years.

The immediate cause for concern is that by the end of March, Metro/Caltrans' draft Environmental Impact Report will be completed. From there the ball will get rolling quickly while most of the San Gabriel Valley remains clueless to the impacts that the tunnels would have on freeway traffic, local street traffic, our businesses, our property values, our health and our way of life in this beautiful area.

Here are 10 alarming facts you should know about Metro's twin tunnel alternative:

1. The tunnels would connect the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles, and the freight trucks that come with them, to Old Pasadena and our neighborhoods.
2. The tunnels would bring 180,000 vehicles daily (freight trucks and cars) through Old Pasadena and onto our local freeways. Metro plans to charge a toll to use the tunnels; to avoid these tolls, vehicles would cut through on our local streets, increasing traffic.

3. The 4.9-mile tunnels would be the longest ever built in the U.S. and would cost a billion dollars per mile, or more.
4. The tunnels would cross four earthquake faults and two major aquifers.
5. The tunnels would have no intermediate entries or exits that might facilitate emergencies or serve local traffic.
6. The tunnels would take up to 12 years to build and would require removal of 5 million cubic yards of dirt (294,000 truckloads) through Pasadena.
7. Metro would vent tunnel pollution in Old Pasadena near Huntington Hospital and schools, using technology that can't properly filter fine particles and can't filter noxious gases.
8. Pasadena residents, especially those living near the 710, 210 and 134 freeways, would be exposed to elevated pollution levels, significantly increasing their risks for autism, lung disease, heart disease and asthma.
9. Our city hasn't taken a stand against the tunnels; nor has the city developed an adequate plan to thoroughly review and respond to the draft EIR/EIS on behalf of Pasadena residents.
10. The draft EIR/EIS is being performed by the tunnel advocate, Metro. How can these reports be fair and unbiased?

While some consider all construction projects progressive, we'd argue that a tollway is not the best solution to address Los Angeles' transportation concerns.

Heavy rail improvements have not been seriously considered for moving port cargo. Furthermore, port traffic may not increase as forecast, due to the widening of the Panama Canal and new ports in Mexico and along the Gulf Coast.

For passenger traffic, transportation funds would be better spent on environmentally sound projects that work for future generations, such as light rail, a 21st-century bus system and transportation system management.

Americans, especially the younger generations, are driving less and are increasingly concerned about their contribution to global warming.

We can't think of any reason that the tunnels would be good for the San Gabriel Valley, yet some cities have yet to take a stand against the tunnels.

If you care about protecting our region's quality of life and business base, or if you'd like your tax dollars spent more wisely, email your mayor and city council and ask them to vigorously oppose the tunnels. Attend Metro meetings. Go to [No710.com](http://No710.com) and sign the petition.

It's time to act or accept the consequences.

Marketing consultant Tom Cordner and aerospace consultant Sarah Gavit live in Pasadena.

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## **7 Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority Week in the Parks**

Mon Feb 24, 2014 10:21 pm (PST) . Posted by: [asncaalert](#)

Tuesday, February 25th at 11am: Vista Hermosa Natural Park

Little Nature Explorers

Have a little one at home? Enjoy a morning of fun exploring nature with a hands-on program for your toddler. For children ages 1-5. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet at the children's play area. 1 hour.

Friday, February 28th at 6pm: Vista Hermosa Natural Park

Winter Stargazing

Winter provides us with the best sky viewing of the year. Enjoy the stars on this journey far into space. Meet at the Grotto Amphitheater. 1.5 hours.

Saturday, March 1st at 10am: Franklin Canyon

Franklin's Movie Magic

Franklin Canyon continues to star in movies, TV shows, and commercials. Go on location dating back to 1930s up to today as you embark on an easy/moderate walk including some stairs. Meet at Sooky Goldman Nature Center. 2 hours.

Saturday, March 1st at 2pm: Vista Hermosa Natural Park

Hummingbirds at Home

Be a part of a community science project that will help us understand more about hummingbird behavior and their response to changes in environment. Help us by reporting hummingbird sighting at Vista Hermosa Park. Enjoy a nature walk as you learn about beautiful hummingbirds and plants. Meet at the park office. Presented by Audubon. 1 hour.

Woodrat.

Saturday, March 1st at 3pm: King Gillette Ranch

Living in the Sticks

Meet the Dusky-footed Woodrat on his own turf. Go on a tour of the neighborhood where they build elaborate nests that are both a home and a time capsule. 1 mile easy walk. Meet at parking lot to left of pond. 2 hours.

Sunday, March 2nd at 9am: Franklin Canyon

Nature Trek

Take an invigorating hike, covering the canyon from top to bottom, including shady green trails and sun-baked, steep paths. Canyon history and habitat chat along the way. Moderately-difficult hike. Meet at Sooky Goldman Nature Center. 2 hours.

Sunday, March 2nd at 10am: Franklin Canyon

Kids' Hands in Nature

Join us for an easy stroll to study the nature around us. Afterwards create art, inspired by all the nature you have seen. For ages 3-8 years, children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet at Sooky Goldman Nature Center. 2 hours.

Info: 310.858.7272 ext. 131

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## 8 [ARC Meeting, 2/27/14 at 7:00pm](#)

Mon Feb 24, 2014 10:21 pm (PST) . Posted by: [asncaalert](#)

Hello ARC Supporters,

I hope this message finds you well. I want to thank our special guests from the January Meeting. Board of Neighborhoods Commissioner Olivia Rubio gave an update on the commission's work and Jay Handal and Terrence Gomes shared valuable outreach and elections information for our upcoming Region 7 and 8 elections in April.

ARC is asking that NC Board Members consider giving feedback on future meeting dates: The ARC meets on the 4th Thursday of the month. The only other dates available where the region's 14 NC's do not meeting are:

The 1st, 2nd, or 3rd Monday of the month and

The 2nd Tuesday of the Month

Please feel free to consider your own NCs meeting dates and respond to [ARC@EmpowerLA.org](mailto:ARC@EmpowerLA.org)  
<mailto:ARC@EmpowerLA.org>

### FOR THE FEBRUARY MEETING

We have a guest presentation taking place at our next scheduled meeting on February 27, 2014. Lys Mendez will be presenting on three important community meetings that will be taking place citywide regarding ReCODE.LA, the Mobility Plan and Plan for a Healthy Los Angeles.

The first of this series will take place in the East Planning Area that includes much of our region, and Lys will be asking for help promoting the event and possibly speaking to individual neighborhood councils about additional support.

If you should have questions before then, you are welcomed to contact Lys directly at  
Lys.Mendez@LACity.org mailto:Lys.Mendez@LACity.org.

Lastly, please see the attached agenda for Thursday's ARC Meeting.

Thank you all!  
-Hector Huezo

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## 9 **Candidate Filing Deadline - Atwater Village Neighborhood Council**

Mon Feb 24, 2014 10:21 pm (PST) . Posted by: [asncaalert](#)

February 26th is the last day to file as a candidate for the upcoming Atwater Village Neighborhood Council Election.

Filing is EASY! File online by following this link:  
<http://empowerla.org/avnc/candidate-registration-form-atwater-village/>

Have questions? Give me a call on the AVNC line at 323-230-3406!

Here are the seats you can run for:

- (2) North Atwater Village Resident Representative - must reside in North Atwater
- (2) Central Atwater Village Resident Representative - must reside in Central Atwater
- (2) South Atwater Village Resident Representative - must reside in South Atwater
- (2) Business Representative
- (2) Community Group/Non-Profit Representative
- (2) Church/Religious Organization Representative
- (1) Schools Representative
- (1) Parks & Recreation Representative

To qualify for candidacy, a person must be 16 or older, and must be an Atwater Village stakeholder.

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## 10 **LA-32 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL Special Meeting Beautification Committee**

Mon Feb 24, 2014 10:39 pm (PST) . Posted by: [asncaalert](#)

LA-32 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Special Meeting Beautification Committee

Tuesday February 25, 2014 – 6:30PM

Absolute Towing

4760 Valley Blvd, Conference Room Los Angeles, CA 90032

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

2. Public Comments

3. Minutes approval - December

4. Chair Report

5. New Business

a. Clean up, Partner w/councilman Huizar. How to proceed?

b. Any new business for Committee.

1. Suggestions on painting of wall adjacent El Sereno Arroyo Playground. See pic.

2. Update on community efforts to plant some of the planters on Huntington Dr. See pic.

This is not NC sponsored activity

6. Old Business

a. Clean up recap 8.24.13, 10.20.13, 12.14.13

b. Direct action clean ups: All members

90032. Agenda is posted for public review at the El Sereno Library, 5226 Huntington Drive So., LA, CA

90032, El Sereno Senior Citizens Center, 4818 Klamath Place, LA, CA 90032, El Sereno Recreation

Center, 4721 Klamath St, LA, CA 90032, Rose Hills Recreation Center, 4530 Mercury Avenue, LA, CA

90032, and University Hills Post Kiosk Landsdown

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## 11 HHPNC Beautification Committee Meeting 2/25?

Tue Feb 25, 2014 5:54 am (PST) . Posted by: [asncaalert](#)

Hello folks! Im just sending this email to gauge interest to see if anyone wanted to come to a quick/brief meeting of our newly founded Ad-hoc Beautification Committee tomorrow at Hathaway Sycamores at 6pm. I know it's short notice, but the elections committee might be meeting at the same time so since we have the space, and I thought we should use it. We don't need to post agendas since it's an ad-hoc committee, but id like to discuss the following items:

- 1.) possibility of having the HHPNC and CDs install hanging lights across York blvd to enhance the village feel to the neighborhood (see attached example)
- 2.) research and design a neighborhood gateway sign including possible placement locations (see example attached).

And any other ideas you might have to make our community better!

Please let me know if you are able to make it. I'll confirm the meeting if we have a sizable group and I'll send out an announcement to the community at large to invite stakeholders.

We have to get our money spent to make HP beautiful before June! Hope some of you can make it!

Aaron Salcido <[asalcido@gmail.com](mailto:asalcido@gmail.com)>

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